

Kentucky Mental Health Planning and Advisory Council
Finance Committee January 24, 2008
Small Conference Room, 4th Floor, 100 Fair Oaks Lane
Frankfort

Council Members: Betty Jo Moss (Chair), John Basham, Rita Brooks, Rebecca Garrett, Janet Gothard, Gayla Hayes, Robert Hicks, Mary Sue Klusman, Steve Liles, Doreen Mills, Jan Powe

Guests: Carolyn Bray, Melissa Crowdus

MHMR Staff: Michele Blevins, Anita Jennings, Cheryl Ligon, Christie Penn, Melissa Runyon

TOPIC	OUTCOME	NEXT STEPS
Call to Order and Introductions	Betty Jo Moss, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.	
Approval of November Meeting Summary	Rebecca Garrett made a motion to accept the summary of the November 14, 2007 meeting. It was seconded by Rita Brooks and motion carried.	
Mental Health Block Grant Overview	<p>Anita Jennings, Financial Advisor to the Council, reported that we currently receive \$5.4M from the federal government in the form of a block grant. The Department as the designated State Mental Health Authority submits an Application and an Implementation Report each year to tell CMHS how we plan to spend the money and how we actually spent the money. Understanding mental health financial reports is difficult because the reports may represent state or federal fiscal years, allocations or expenditures. Federal funds must be spent over a two year period.</p> <p>Anita stated that historically most of the block grant money has funded services and extra/carryover money has funded statewide initiatives. Historically, approximately \$4.9M of the funds has gone to the Regional Boards for direct services (community-based services for children with SED and adults with SMI). The Boards report how they intend to spend these funds and then how they actually spent the funds much like the state reports to the federal government. Generally, the Department has not taken money away once allocated and for the past several years an effort to maintain funding has been the norm.</p> <p>Funds have not yet been allocated for SFY 2009. Anita recommended that the Council look at the full \$5.4M and put forth recommendations for how to allocate funds for next fiscal year (July 1, 2008-June 30, 2009).</p> <p>One member asked if it is possible to request more funding from the federal government. Staff stated that the funding for each state is determined by a formula and that increases are not likely.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the funding given to the CMHCs. The funds are currently given to them in a "block grant" and each region is responsible for determining how the money will be spent. One member asked if there is any duplication of payment for services using both block grant and Medicaid funds and staff responded that there definitely should not be any duplication.</p> <p>Betty Jo Moss recommended that the Finance Committee make a formal recommendation that the funding for the consumer advocacy organization be continued. Jan Powe asked why the other advocacy organizations had received their money and KYCAN did not receive theirs. Staff in attendance had no</p>	

	<p>information to share on the specific details of the Adult Consumer RFP and contract. Anita Jennings offered to assist Doreen in setting up a meeting with management who may know these answers. Doreen was appreciative.</p> <p>Anita Jennings recommended that the Finance Committee make formal recommendations for FY 2009 Block Grant allocations. The Chair recommended we review information from past years so that they can make informed recommendations.</p> <p>John Basham recommended a list of "Frequently Asked Questions" regarding Block Grant finances as a good tool to help people understand the information better.</p> <p>Betty Jo Moss requested an updated listing of FY 2008 allocations be provided at the next meeting.</p> <p>Staff requested that the Chair recommend information for the Committee to review at the February 1st meeting.</p>	<p>A special meeting to formulate these recommendations was scheduled for Feb. 1, 2008 from 12 – 4 p.m. The Committee members suggested having this meeting without hotel accommodations since it was an extra meeting and this was agreed upon by consensus.</p> <p>Staff will update and provide this information.</p> <p>Betty Jo will email staff with information requests.</p>
FY 2008 Funded Entities' Reports	Item will be addressed at a future meeting.	
Review of 2008 Meeting Dates	The Finance Committee will meet on April 23, June 25, and September 24 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in 2008.	
Other Items from the Committee	N/A	
Adjourn	Rebecca Garrett made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:33 a.m. Janet Gothard seconded and the motion carried.	
Next Meeting	<p>February 1, 2008</p> <p>Small Conference Room</p> <p>100 Fair Oaks Lane, 4th Floor</p> <p>Frankfort, Kentucky</p>	